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SUBJECT: PROPOSED CAP FOR ALCOHOL

REF: STATE 221632

1. WE HAVE AGAIN CONVEYED TO FONMIN JANSSEN, IN CHARGE EC
THIRD COUNTRY RELATIONS) U.S. VIEWS ALONG LINES DRAFT NOTE
CONTAINED STATE 192180. HE PROMOSED TO SEND INFORMAL SUMMARIES
OF OUR POSITION TO BELGIAN AGMIN REPRESENTATIVE ON SPECIAL
AGRICULTURE COMMITTEE, WHICH WILL SHORTLY BE DISCUSSING
ALCOHOL CAP, AS WELL AS TO ECONMIN AND OTHER INTERESTED
GOB AGENCIES.

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2. JANSSEN REPEATED THAT DENMARK WAS PRIMARILY RESPONSIBLE FOR FAILURE TO REACH AGREEMENT IN OCTOBER ON EC COMMISSION'S PROPOSAL FOR ALCOHOL CAP, MAINLY BECAUSE OF ANTICIPATED COST TO GOD. HE REMARKED THAT PROPOSAL WAS HIGHLY "FRENCHIFIED," REFLECTING MUCH OF FRENCH NATIONAL LEGISLATION, AND THAT BELGIUM WOULD FAR PREFER SIMPLIFIED AND MORE MANAGEABLE SYSTEM.

3. JANSSEN BELIEVED THAT ALCOHOL CAP WILL ONLY BE AGREED UPON AS PART OF PACKAGE TO BE NEGOTIATED NEXT SPRING AT TIME OF CAP PRICE FIXING. HE SAID THAT COMMISSIONER LARDINOIS HAD IN FACT PROPOSED SUCH PACKAGE TREATMENT AND PROMISED TO PROVIDE EMBASSY WITH COPY OF LARDINOIS'S PROPOSAL. PACKAGE WOULD CONTAIN, IN ADDITION, TO PRICE NEGOTIATIONS AND ALCOHOL CAP, PROPOSAL ON HILL FARMING. STRAUSSZ-HUPE

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